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**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(c), Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached Form PTO 1449. It is respectfully requested that this documents be made of record in this application by the Examiner's completion and return of the Form PTO-1449.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art." If the Examiner applies the documents as prior art against any claim in the application and applicants determine that the cited documents do not constitute "prior art" under United States law, applicants reserve the right to present to the Office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of the documents.

Applicant further reserves the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(e)(1), Applicant submits that the references listed on the attached Form PTO 1449 were first cited in a Official Action issued in relation to a corresponding Japanese Patent Application, not more than three months prior to the filing of the present Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement.

Applicant believes no fee is due in connection with this submission. If any additional fee is due, or if any overpayment has been made, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any such fee or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 02-4377.

Respectfully submitted,

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